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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Examiner's Action dated July 23, 2007 be extended three months from October 23, 2007, to January 23, 2008. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1177 in the amount of \$1,050,00 for the three-month extension fee; this request is submitted in triplicate. Order No. 08-0020 . The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the required fee or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1177.

Responsive action has been taken by filing an Amendment simultaneously herewith.

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